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Applicant: Hunt et al.

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CHEMICAL VAPOR DEPOSITION METHODS FOR MAKING POWDERS AND COATINGS, AND COATINGS MADE USING THESE METHODS

Amendment and Response

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 14 October, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Please amend claims as shown in the attached Appendix A.

Please replace the final paragraph on page 5 with the paragraph as shown in Appendix B

Remarks

Claims 87-89 have been deleted without prejudice. New claims 99 and 100 have been added. Claim 1 has been amended to further define over the prior art as described below. Claims 6 and 20-22 have been amended to include all of the limitations of original claim 1 and have been rewritten as independent claims. Claim 19 has been amended to depend from independent claim 6. The final paragraph of page 5 of the specification has been amended to update the statuses of the cited US applications and to indicate that these applications are all owned by the assignee of the current invention. No new matter has been added to the application.

Currently claims 1-33 and 90-100 are pending. Claims 5 and 90-98 are considered withdrawn as being drawn to non-elected inventions.

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